## "Nowruz"

## Presented by Councilmember Raul A. Campillo March 20, 2022

**WHEREAS,** Nowruz is a Persian holiday that dates back over 3000 years, is celebrated today by over 300 million people from different cultures and backgrounds, and is translated to English as "New Day;" **and** 

**WHEREAS**, Nowruz is celebrated at the exact moment of the Spring Equinox and was proclaimed an international holiday by the United Nations in 2010; **and** 

**WHEREAS**, Nowruz emphasizes the renewal of nature and embracing the hope and possibility of the future; **and** 

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego is proud of its cultural diversity and believes that the integration of celebrations such as Nowruz serve to enhance the community ties we have with one another; and

**WHEREAS**, the celebration of Nowruz is consistent with the principles of community that San Diego strives to uphold, including fostering the values of peace and solidarity among family and community members; and

WHEREAS, these values are of especially great importance in the present day and are worth reaffirming as we move toward healing the world around us; NOW, THEREFORE,

**BE IT PROCLAIMED**, by the Council and Mayor of the City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the people of San Diego, does hereby proclaim **March 20, 2022**, to be "Nowruz" in the City of San Diego.

20<sup>th</sup> March 2022